

RUSSIA.

The Czar's Squadron Approaching Constantinople—The Objectionable Treaty. A letter from Constantinople of the 10th mentions with considerable alarm the arrival of a Russian squadron, under the command of Admiral Bontskoff, in Greek waters. The interpretation of the appearance of the fleet is that Russia was in no degree prepared for the rapid course the Franco-German war has taken, and sees herself obliged to do hurriedly now what she had hitherto determined to accomplish at her own time and convenience, viz., a strong demonstration of naval force before Constantinople, while demanding a revision of the treaties of 1826, and a new arrangement of the right of Russian war vessels to traverse the Black Sea. As the possibility of a Congress is not altogether excluded from men's minds, this action on the part of Russia is by no means unlikely.

THE TREATY RUSSIA WANTS ANNULLED. Since the commencement of the war between France and Germany, Russia has evinced her intention to annul the stipulations of the treaty of Paris, entered into at the close of the Crimean war. According to a despatch from the N.Y. Tribune correspondent at St. Petersburg, all the newspapers are discussing the Eastern question, and urging the abrogation of the said treaty, which the St. Petersburg Diplomatist says Gortschakoff has resolved speedily to annul. The contracting powers of this treaty were France, England, Russia, Sardinia, and Turkey, and the following is a synopsis of the points of most interest in it at present:—

Article 9 mentions that the Sultan grants reforms in regard to his Christian subjects. Article 11. The Black Sea is neutralized. While the Black Sea is neutralized, all nations, its waters and ports are formally and perpetually interdicted to vessels of war, whether belonging to nations having territory bordering on it, or otherwise.

Article 12. This article prescribes that all regulations respecting trade in the Black Sea shall be conceived in a spirit favorable to the development of commercial transactions. Article 13. The Black Sea being neutralized by a foregoing provision, Russia and Turkey engage neither to construct nor maintain any naval or military arsenal upon its coast.

Articles 20 and 21 concede a portion of Russian territory, to be annexed to the principality of Moldavia.

Article 22. The Principalities of Wallachia and Moldavia are to enjoy under the suzerainty of the Porte, and under the guarantee of the contracting powers, the privileges and immunities of which they are in possession. No exclusive protection shall be extended over them by any of the guaranteeing powers. There shall be no private right of interference in their affairs.

Article 23. The Sublime Porte guarantees to the aforesaid Principalities an independent and national administration, as well as full liberty of worship, legislation, commerce, and navigation.

Article 24. The Principality of Servia will continue to be dependent upon the Sublime Porte, and subject to stipulations nearly similar to those named for the other Principalities.

Article 26. Russia and Turkey are to retain in their full integrity their possessions in Asia to the same extent as before the war. Commissioners are to be appointed to settle the boundaries.

DETECTIVE STRATEGY. Important Arrest of Spanish Counterfeiters. During the last two weeks two men have been staying at the hotel at Quarantine Landing on Staten Island, and have been keeping a careful watch upon every three-masted schooner, and occasionally going off to them in small boats, and overhauling them thoroughly. Considerable curiosity has been excited among the inhabitants of the island by their movements, but both were careful to keep their own counsel, and in spite of the numerous questions asked they continued to keep their mission a secret.

Last evening, however, their watchfulness was explained. At about three o'clock in the afternoon a large three-masted schooner was seen slowly sailing up to Quarantine, and in a few minutes the two strangers, who had been, as usual, closely examining the craft, hired a small boat, pulled out to the vessel, and after a few moments' conversation with her master boarded her. They remained on board for some time, and rumors of their proceedings having been spread abroad, a number of spectators assembled to await their return. At last the row boat approached the shore, when it was discovered that two men, who had not been in her when she left the shore, were seated in the stern. The boat reached the landing and the whole party entered the hotel. It then appeared that the two strangers who had been staying at the hotel were two of Colonel Whiteley's government detectives, who had been informed by telegraph of the probable arrival of two notorious counterfeiters from Texas, in a three-masted schooner, with a large quantity of spurious money in their possession.

They had almost begun to doubt the correctness of their information, when a schooner answering the description given came into sight yesterday afternoon. When the detectives reached her decks they found two Spanish passengers named Edward Garcia and Manuel Aubrey, and at once took them into custody. Their indignation was extreme, and they vehemently protested their innocence. But the officers, armed with the necessary warrants, were in no wise daunted, and hastened to search their baggage and their berths. This examination led to the discovery of a large quantity of counterfeit bills upon various banks, executed in so thoroughly artistic a manner that even on a comparison with the genuine bills the difference between the good and the bad could scarcely be found.

The officers found in their possession moulds, acids, tools for milling coin, and all the necessary appliances for carrying on their trade in this city. After the first few minutes the prisoners recovered their equanimity and tried to make the best of their position. After partaking of some refreshment with their captors, they left for this city in one of the ferry-boats. To-day they were taken before Commissioner Betts and held for examination on the 10th instant, in default of \$10,000 bail.—N. Y. Evening Post, yesterday.

THE COLOR QUESTION. Negro Children in the Cincinnati Schools. The Cincinnati Commercial of the 5th says:— "The excitement growing out of the resolution of the School Board on Friday evening, admitting colored children to the public schools, grows, and the disposition of the case promises to be interesting. Quite a number of Republicans, we learn, share in the general disgust manifested at the action of the board, and a report was in circulation yesterday that a petition was about to be issued to the board asking them to rescind the resolution. The motives of the board in disposing of this vexed question must not be prejudged.

"The question of admitting colored children into the public schools has been under advisement for several months, and petitions have been showered upon them by the colored population, asking them to furnish educational facilities for their children according to law. The disposition of the matter was deferred until the enumeration was taken, when it was found that there were only fourteen persons between the ages of five and twenty-one in the village. Under the law this number was insufficient to establish a separate school, and they were bound then to admit the colored children to the schools.

"Yesterday the climax was reached, when five little urchins of African descent made their appearance at the First Street School, to be instructed. Several white children immediately picked up their books and marched home. The principal reports that the attendance yesterday was about half as large as on Friday, and fears that worse will come if the order is persisted in. The introduction of this disturbing element into the schools will, no doubt, scare some of the people, as the idea is an innovation upon the routine, but they will soon get over their terror when they learn that the law protects a 'nigger' as well as a white citizen."

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